



CGAPS Recommendations:

- The State of Hawaii should convene a high-level task force to identify permanent funding sources that can contribute to meeting the State's need for comprehensive and sustained invasive species prevention and control programs. This task force should include legislative leaders and the State departments of Agriculture, Business and Economic Development, Health, Land and Natural Resources, and Transportation. Affected private sector industry groups, relevant federal agencies, and involved non-governmental organizations should also be included.
- The Hawaii Legislature needs to work in concert with the Hawaii Department of Agriculture and Department of Land and Natural Resources to identify and correct current gaps in State authorities and provide policy direction that is now lacking in the Hawaii Revised Statutes.
- The State needs to work through its Congressional delegation to ensure that Hawaii's special susceptibility to alien species is recognized in federal legislation that protects Hawaii from mainland pests as well as other species that are of no consequence to mainland agriculture and ecosystems.
- The State needs to work together with the federal government to obtain funding to provide Hawaii with a state-of-the-art biocontrol facility and permanent staff. This staffed facility should have the capacity to coordinate biocontrol research and release activities on 10-12 pest species simultaneously.

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